

Deadline for education requests approaches

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PLUMMER – Over the past two decades, schools and nonprofit organizations across the state of Idaho have received millions of dollars in grant money from the Coeur d'Alene Tribe to support educational programs. Schools, districts, and nonprofits can apply to receive funds until September 30.

What kinds of projects have been funded in the past? In the Tribe's most recent round of donations, more than 100 schools and nonprofits across the region received funding for a wide range of programs including technology upgrades, textbooks, classroom supplies, and student scholarships. In addition, a significant number of donations went toward reading, music, arts, science and vocational programs.

"An investment in education is an investment in our future," said Chief Allan, Chairman of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe. "This is our way of giving back to our neighbors and our community. We are proud to have such a strong history of supporting education within our community and our state," he added.

Applications are posted online at <http://www.cdatribe-nsn.gov/council/ChairmansOffice.aspx>. Applications are due by September 30, 2016 and may be returned by email to hkeen@cdatribe-nsn.gov, by fax to 208-686-8813, or by mail to the following address:

Chairman's Office
ATTN: Education Donations
PO Box 408
Plummer, ID 83851

The Tribe committed to donating to education in 1992 when tribal leadership offered to return 5% of net gaming revenues to the financial support of education as part of its gaming compact with the State. Since then, the Coeur d'Alene Tribe has donated more than \$24 million to education.

The Tribe will screen applications this fall and expects to make funding announcements in the spring of 2017. Any questions regarding the Tribe's education donations should be directed to the Tribe's Public Relations Director, Heather Keen at 208-686-2023 or hkeen@cdatribe-nsn.gov.